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DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
JOHN BALDWIN, DIRECTOR

September 13, 2013

David Roederer, Director
Department of Management
Iowa State Capitol
Des Moines, IA 50319
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Re: DOC FY 2015 Budget

Dear Mr. Roederer:

The Iowa Board of Corrections supports the need for predictability and stability in the state's budget process. In the current biennium, the Governor's statewide budget provided for a balanced budget, appropriate resources and reduced debt.

The Board deeply appreciates the Governor's support for Corrections in the FY 2014/15 budget. During FY 2014 the Department will:

- ✓ Continue to hire, train and retrain the best possible staff.
- ✓ Open 7 "new" facilities without incident.
- ✓ Continue our partnership with Board of Parole.
- ✓ Continue to improve evidence based programs that reduce our offender recidivism rates which lower the future costs of corrections and improves public safety for all Iowans.
- ✓ Continue our efforts to further reduce overtime as we have done 2 of the last 3 years.

We will continue to challenge the Department to find operational efficiencies that reduce expenditures in order to focus financial resources on programs that will further reduce Iowa's recidivism rate. Through the Departments efforts in evidence-based programs like offender reentry and drug court, Iowa's recidivism rate has declined to 30.8% which is fully 3.1 percentage points lower than the rate just five years ago. During that same time period, focused reentry programs for female and African American offenders has produced positive results. The recidivism rate for female offenders dropped by 5.5 percentage points and the rate for African American offenders fell by 8.4 percentage points. Each of these results contributes to reducing the future cost of corrections in Iowa.

The Board believes that the state is on a prudent and sustainable financial course. Additionally, the Board does understand its obligation to bring forward budget items that, if funds allow, would improve Iowa's Corrections System.

The mission of the Iowa Department of Corrections is:
To advance successful offender reentry to protect the public, staff and offenders from victimization.

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Below is a list of operational proposals that we would like to bring to your attention.

<i>Restoration to FY 2014 Legislative Action</i>	<i>FTEs</i>		<i>Amount</i>
Correction Operations	7.00	\$	2,571,309
Anamosa Luster Heights	15.00	\$	1,643,039
CBC Expansion: Residential Caseload & Treatment Management	23.20	\$	1,708,885
Education: Literacy/GED, Vocational & Life Skills	0.00	\$	250,000
Sub Total	45.20	\$	6,173,233

<i>New Funding Requests Above Base Budget</i>			
Mitchellville: Assisted Living, Hospice, Skilled Nursing Care, Minimum-Live-Out	16.00	\$	935,779
Sex Offender Growth & Community Monitoring	16.00	\$	1,091,453
CBC Staffing Based on Offender Success in 5 th District Only	12.00	\$	731,892
Prison Staffing Based on Offender Success	30.00	\$	1,608,630
Critical Mental Health Needs: Psychologist & Nurse	10.00	\$	676,960
PREA Compliance	5.00	\$	502,242
Drug Court Restoration: Federal Funds	0.00	\$	316,590
Education: Literacy/GED, Vocational & Life Skills	0.00	\$	500,000
Fiscal Oversight: CBC & Prison	1.00	\$	67,696
Realignment of Existing Resources: Mentally Ill Offenders Transfer to Clarinda	3.00	\$	-
Realignment of Existing Resources: Hepatitis Prevention & Treatment to Central Pharmacy	0.00	\$	-
Sub Total	93.00	\$	6,431,242
FY2015 Grand Total Restoration and New Funding	138.20	\$	12,604,475

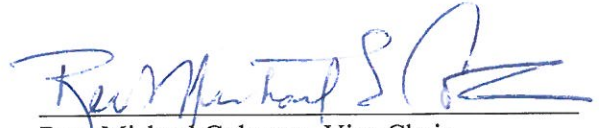
Capital Request: In addition to the biennium request submitted last year.

Anamosa Boiler Replacements & Enclosure (Life Safety)	*	\$	1,250,000
*\$3,750,000 FY 2016			

On behalf of the Iowa Board of Corrections,



Chuck Larson, Chair
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Rev. Michael Coleman, Vice Chair
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